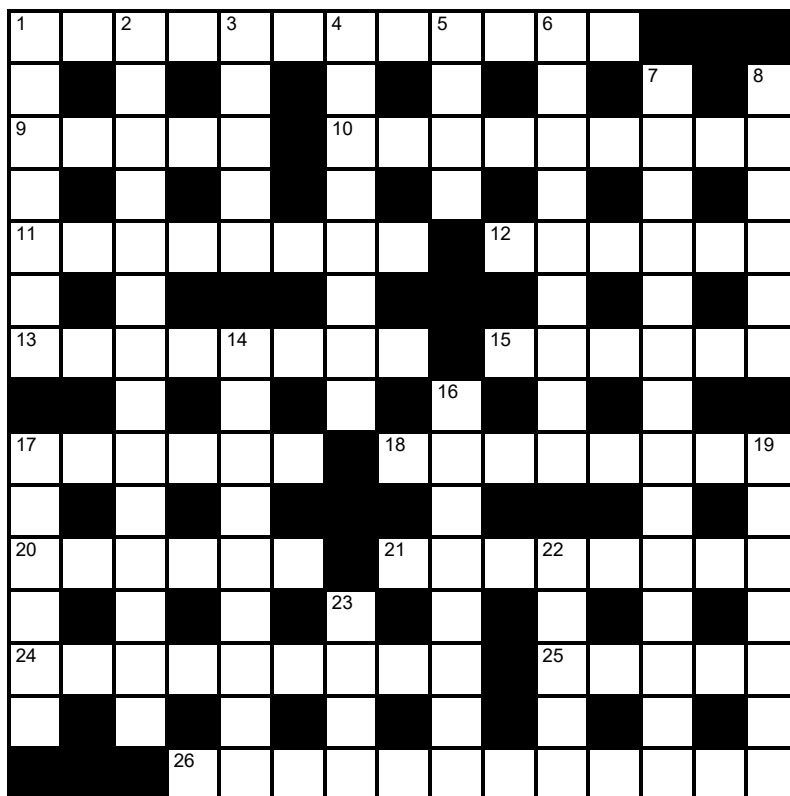


**Across**

- 1 Organ it's nice to play in Birmingham Station (3,9)
- 9 Rubbed out mark using other end of towel (5)
- 10 Sport seeing sudden fall in competition (3-6)
- 11 In conclusion: aim twice (8)
- 12 Woman's trapped lash causes damage (6)
- 13 Feet kept dry in foreign resort (8)
- 15 Alcoholic's behind visible under the table (6)



- 17 Bail: arrange it over the phone (6)
- 18 Please yourself without touching (8)
- 20 Notes some of my dole money's held over (6)
- 21 Offer mobile support to the back? These do to the front (8)
- 24 Reject sequel -- I'm in a terrible part (9)
- 25 City founder returning from ancient Iraq (5)
- 26 Places for hangers-on to dry out (7,5)

**Down**

- 1 New and rising (7)
- 2 Cry during miserable day out, with ill-defined object (4,1-3,4,2)
- 3 Sound of sea rushing by river (5)
- 4 Home to a killer: senile, or acting? (8)
- 5 Turn up drunk, eating last of sherry trifles (4)
- 6 The best education for a life on the run (3,6)

- 7 They came in ships with slightly inexperienced crews (6,5,3) (4)
- 8 Old King and Queen divorced, say, on punt (6)
- 14 Sign of depression leads to philosopher's dull routine (9)
- 16 Oil to treat sore knee (8)
- 17 South African pinching doctor's jacket (6)
- 19 Swelling hospital department has not improved (7)
- 22 Sign up for part of Mother Goose, I 'eard? (5)
- 23 It's reckless, taking on poverty